

Grant Funding for Interoperable Communications

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Communications Grants Overview

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Federal Programs

- State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)
- Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)
- Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)

State Programs

 Statewide Emergency Radio Infrastructure (SERI)



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SHSP

- \$18.2 Mil allocated to Texas in FY 2021(~4% decrease from 2021)
- LETPA requirement increase from 25% to 30%
- 30% of allocated funding must go to 6 National Priority Areas (NPAs)
 - Combating Domestic Violent Extremism (3%)
 - Community Preparedness and Resilience (3%)
 - Enhancing Cybersecurity
 - Enhancing Election Security
 - Intelligence & Information Sharing (3%)
 - Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (3%)



FY 2022 SHSP Investments

Investment Areas	% of Funding
Combating Domestic Violent Extremism (3% Min)	3.8%
Community Preparedness and Resilience (3% Min)	4.7%
Emergency Operations Center Technology and Enhancements	1.3%
Enhancing Cybersecurity	7.5%
Information and Intelligence Sharing/Cooperation (3% Min)	12.3%
Interoperable Emergency Communications	12.5%
Management and Administration	25.7%
Planning - Homeland Security	6.8%
Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (3% Min)	20.5%
Support of First Responder Capabilities	29.5%

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UASI (Houston, DFWA, San Antonio)

- \$45.3 Mil allocated to Texas Urban Areas in FY
 2021 (\$24.6 M Houston, \$16.9M DFWA, \$3.8 M
 San Antonio)
- Requirement for National Priority Areas are the same as SHSP
- Funding decisions primarily with Urban Area Working Groups (UAWG)



FY 2022 UASI Investments

Investment Areas	% of Funding
Combating Domestic Violent Extremism (3% Min)	7.3%
Community Preparedness and Resilience (3% Min)	3.6%
Emergency Operations Center Technology and Enhancements	7.1%
Enhancing Cybersecurity	4.9%
Information and Intelligence Sharing/Cooperation (3% Min)	7.2%
Interoperable Emergency Communications	10.8%
Management and Administration	3.7%
Planning - Homeland Security	8.8%
Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (3% Min)	11.4%
Support of First Responder Capabilities	29.5%

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FY 2022 Outlook for SHSP and UASI

- HSGP NPAs are anticipated to be the same as the FY 2022.
- 2022 SHSP: Projects are needed from the local level in order to meet minimum spend requirements.
- The NPAs reduce the amount of funding that can be made available for communications projects.



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State Programs

- 20 Awards totaling \$12.1 M in FY 2022/2023
- SERI: Next application window will be in January 2024
- All available funding was awarded early October 2022
- Regions were capped based on interoperability levels
 - Level 2 \$1.5 M
 - Level 3 \$1 M
 - Level 4/5 \$750 K
 - Local impact project capped at \$250 K
- Infrastructure only, no subscriber units



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2023* Grant Cycle

- PSO Plan Year (PY) 2024
 - December 12, 2022 (Target opening date for SHSP)
 - February 9, 2023 (Texas eGrants Application Deadline)
 - August 01, 2022 (Target date for completion of reviews/revisions)
 - September 01, 2022 (Earliest grant performance period start date)
 - TBD (Release of awards dependent on receipt of Federal Award)
- Funding for grant programs is dependent upon federal and state appropriations
- eGrants Calendar Page: https://egrants.gov.texas.gov/fundopp.aspx



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Questions?

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